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SUBJECT: LEAHY VETTING FOR SRI LANKAN PARTICIPANT IN  
PACIFIC ARMY CHIEFS CONFERENCE

REF: A. STATE 21314

[1](#)B. 03 STATE 34981

[1](#)1. (U) This is an action request. Please see paragraph 4.

[1](#)2. (SBU) The following Sri Lankan official has been nominated to attend the following course of instruction:

Funding Source: ODC  
Course Name: Pacific Army Chiefs Conference  
Course Dates: August 4-10, 2007  
Location: Sydney, Australia  
Response: 6 July 2007

NAME: Gardihewa Sarath Chandralal FONSEKA  
Rank: Commander of the Sri Lankan Army  
DOB: December 18, 1950  
POB: Ambalangoda, Sri Lanka  
Nationality: Sri Lanka  
Passport Number: D1943787  
Passport Issue Date: April 18, 2006

[1](#)3. (SBU) Embassy has checked post records and other available databases for allegations of gross human rights abuses committed by this candidate and has found no evidence of such allegations against him personally for any specific incidents.

[1](#)4. (SBU) Action Request: Embassy asks that the Department review its files to determine if there is credible evidence of gross human rights violations against this candidate.  
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